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E. O. 12065: GDS 4/15/81 (MILLSPAUGH, ROBERT) OR-P
TAGS: ELAB, PINS, ES
SUBJ: (U) LEFTIST UNION LEADERS DETAINED

1. (U) THE FOLLOWING PAID AD APPEARED IN AN APRIL 14 NEWSPAPER. BEGIN QUOTE: "THE REVOLUTIONARY UNIONS FEDERATION (FSR) ISSUES A DENUNICATION. ON THE NINTH OF APRIL AT 1:30 IN THE AFTERNOON UNIFORMED ELEMENTS ARRIVED A T THE OFFICES OCCUPIED BY THE UNION OF WORKEFS OF THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY (STITAS), LOCATED IN THE PLAZA BARRIOS AND THEY TOOK AWAY THE UNIONISTS THAT THE FOUND THERE. AMONG THE BROTHER UNIONISTS ARE: ALFONSO REINA MELENDEZ, SECGEN OF STITAS; MIGUEL ANGEL AZUCENA, ALEXANDER ANTONIO CARRANZA, MAGDALENA MARTINEZ, AND OTHER COMPANIONS. THE PERTINENT INVESTIGATIONS OF WHOM ARE STILL CONTINUING (SIC). THE FSR DEMANDS THE LIBERTY OF OUR DETAINED COMPANIONS, AS WELL AS RESPECT FOR THEIR PHYSICAL AND MORAL BEING; AND ALSO DEMANDS RESPECT FOR OUR LABOR ORGANIZATION AS A JUST AND LEGITIMATE RIGHT. END QUOTE.

2. (C LABOR SOURCES CONFIRM THAT NINE LEADERS OF THE FSR WERE DETAINED BY GOES FORCES AND THAT ALL ARE NOW IN JAIL.

3. (C) COMMENT. THE FSR IS A CREATURE OF A POPULAR ORGANIZATION, THE POPULAR REVOLUTIONARY BLOCK BPR). THE NAMES LISED ARE NOT KNOWN TO US AND WE CANNOT BE CERTAIN THAT ALL ARE GENUINE LABOR LEADERS. WHILE THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING IS NOT KNOWN TO US, WE NOTE THAT IT MAY HAVE INVOLVED POLITICAL ACTIVITIES, SUCH AS PLANNING FOR MAYDAY.
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